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CALIFORNIA LEGISLATURE—1999–2000 REGULAR SESSION

ASSEMBLY BILL

No. 1841

Introduced by Assembly Members ~~Dickerson, Aanestad, Ashburn, Oller, and Pescetti~~ Member *Dickerson*
(Coauthors: Assembly Members *Aanestad, Ashburn, Briggs, Oller, and Pescetti*)

February 7, 2000

An act to amend Section 36610 of, ~~and to add Section 35780.1 to,~~ the Vehicle Code, relating to vehicles.

LEGISLATIVE COUNSEL'S DIGEST

AB 1841, as amended, Dickerson. Vehicles: implements of husbandry.

~~(1) Existing law authorize the Department of Transportation or local authorities, with respect to highways under their respective jurisdictions, upon application and if good cause appears, to issue a special permit authorizing the applicant to, among other things, operate large size vehicles or loads.~~

~~This bill would additionally authorize the issuance by the department or local authorities of a quarterly permit authorizing an applicant to transport or move an implement~~

~~of husbandry that is of a height that would exceed the maximum allowed by the Vehicle Code.~~

~~(2) Existing~~

~~Existing law~~ authorizes an implement of husbandry to be transported or moved over a highway as a load on another vehicle for 25 miles or less if the operator of the transporting vehicle is a farmer or a person regularly employed by a farmer or farm corporation.

This bill would delete the requirement that the operator be regularly employed and, instead, would require only that the person be employed by a farmer; ~~or farm corporation; or farm contractor.~~

Vote: majority. Appropriation: no. Fiscal committee: no. State-mandated local program: no.

The people of the State of California do enact as follows:

1 SECTION 1. ~~Section 35780.1 is added to the Vehicle~~
2 ~~Code, to read:~~

3 ~~35780.1. (a) The Department of Transportation or~~
4 ~~local authorities with respect to highways under their~~
5 ~~respective jurisdictions, may at their discretion and upon~~
6 ~~application, issue a quarterly permit authorizing the~~
7 ~~applicant to transport or move an implement of~~
8 ~~husbandry that is of a height that would exceed the~~
9 ~~maximum allowed in this code.~~

10 ~~(b) Under conditions prescribed by the Department~~
11 ~~of Transportation or local authority, the Department of~~
12 ~~Transportation or local authority may accept applications~~
13 ~~made by, and issue permits directly to, an applicant or~~
14 ~~permit service by any of the following processes:~~

15 ~~(1) In writing.~~

16 ~~(2) By an authorized facsimile process.~~

17 ~~(3) Through an authorized computer and modem~~
18 ~~connection.~~

19 ~~SEC. 2.~~ Section 36610 of the Vehicle Code is amended
20 to read:

21 36610. (a) The limitations as to height of vehicles
22 contained in Chapter 3 (commencing with Section
23 35250) of Division 15 do not apply to implements of

1 husbandry incidentally operated, transported, towed, or
2 otherwise moved over a highway.

3 (b) Notwithstanding subdivision (a), when an
4 implement of husbandry is transported or moved over a
5 highway as a load on another vehicle and the load exceeds
6 14 feet in height, the vehicle and load shall not be
7 operated for a distance in excess of 25 miles from the point
8 of origin of the trip. The operator of the transporting
9 vehicle shall be a farmer or a person employed by a
10 ~~farmer, farm corporation, or farm contractor, and the~~
11 *farmer or farm corporation and the* operator transporting
12 the vehicle shall have in his or her immediate possession
13 a writing signed by the farmer, ~~farm corporation, or farm~~
14 ~~contractor~~ *or farm corporation* agent which states the
15 origin and destination of the trip.

